During the current financial year, about 570 tonnes of opiuh is required for export and about 107 tonnes of opium is required for manufacture of opiate alkoloids and medicinal opium within the country.

Names of States alongwith the area under poppy cultivation (Statewise) during 1992-93 crop year is as follows: —

S. No.	Name of the State	Area settled for cultivation (in hectares)
1.	Madhya Pradesh	6856.39
2.	Rajasthan	4391.16
3.	Uttar Pradesh	2497.20
	TOTAL :	13744.95

Financial Losses to States

2598. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN; Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of losses suffered by the Shtates, State-wise on account of small savings because of Government's deicsion t moake investment in Mutual Fund more attractive;

(b) what steps Government propose to take to compensate these losses ;

(c) whether it is a fact that some States have been denied Central loan despite Planning Commission's recommendations in this regard during 1991-92; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTRY OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): (a) to (d) Small savings loans given to State Governments represent a small part of the total resources ransferred to the State Governments. Although net small savings Collections have shown * decline and correspodingly small savings loans to State Govenrment are estimated at Rs. 4400 crores in RE 1992-93 compared to Rs. 5700 crores in BE 1992-93, over all the net resources transferred to State Governments have increased from Rs. 45184 in BE 1992-93 to Rs. 47704 crores in RE 1992-93. It is not cOireet to say that the decline in small savings collections is because of Government decision to make investment in mutual funds more attractive.

Loans for purchase of deep sea fishing trawlers

2599. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will tne Minister of FINANCE! be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the erstwhile Shipping Development Fund Committee had provided finance to various fishing companies for the purpose of procurement of deep sea fishing trawlers from both overseas and domestic shipyards;

(b) if o, the terms and conditions under which the finances were provided;

(c) what were the number of loanee fishing companies and the total sum of their loan remained eut-